

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for using a shared library called up from a calling source program in a tamper resistant microprocessor which has a function for decrypting and executing encrypted codes and a table formed by a plurality of regions for storing a plurality of encryption keys corresponding to at least one program and at least one shared library to be called up by the at least one program, the method comprising:
    - creating a task for the shared library;
    - allocating a task identifier to the task;
    - acquiring an instruction key from a header of the shared library;
  - 15 storing the instruction key into a region of the table corresponding to the task identifier allocated to the task for the shared library in the microprocessor;
  - initializing by executing a loader in the shared library; and
  - 20 returning a control to the calling source program via an entry point in the shared library.
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2. The method of claim 1, further comprising:
    - loading another shared library by referring to an import table in the shared library, after storing the instruction key into the table in the microprocessor.
  
  3. The method of claim 1, wherein the initializing step executes as many loaders in the shared library as a number of calling source programs, and the method further comprising:
    - producing as many data keys as the number of calling source programs for encrypting data to be used by the shared library, before the returning step;
  - 35 storing the data keys into a region of the table to

which the task identifier of the task for the shared library is allocated in the microprocessor, before the returning step;

5 setting the shared library in a standby state waiting for a call up from the calling source program, after the returning step;

having the shared library authenticated by the calling source program;

10 receiving an address of a shared memory region produced by the calling source program;

setting the shared memory region as a shared encrypted data region to be used in data exchange between the calling source program and the shared library;

15 controlling the shared libraryt to receive a signal for calling up a sub-routine in the shared library from the calling source program;

verifying a checksum of data of the calling source program;

20 carrying out a processing requested from the calling source program when the checksum of the data of the calling source program matches the data; and

sending a result of the requested processing by adding the checksum into the shared encrypted data region.

25 4. The method of claim 3, further comprising:

encrypting a work memory region for carrying out the processing requested from the calling source program by using one of the data keys of the shared library, after the verifying step;

30 wherein the carrying out step carries out the processing requested from the calling source program in the work memory region encrypted by the encrypting step.

5. The method of claim 3, wherein the authenticating step  
35 carries out an authentication by sending to the calling

source program an authentication information to which a signature according to a secret key stored in the shared library in advance is attached, and producing a common key to be used between the calling source program and the  
5 shared library.

6. The method of claim 5, further comprising:  
10 encrypting the common key by using one of the data keys of the shared library, after the authenticating step; and  
storing the common key encrypted by the encrypting step into a secret data region of the shared library.

7. The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
15 generating a data key for encrypting a work memory region of the shared library from a random number from a random number generation unit in the microprocessor before the returning step; and  
20 setting the shared library in a standby state waiting for a call up from the calling source program, after the returning step.

8. A computer program product for causing a tamper  
resistant microprocessor which has a function for  
25 decrypting and executing encrypted codes and a table formed by a plurality of regions for storing a plurality of encryption keys corresponding to at least one program and at least one shared library to be called up by the at least one program, to use a shared library called up from a  
30 calling source program, the computer program product comprising:

a first computer program code for causing the tamper  
resistant microprocessor to create a task for the shared  
library;

35 a second computer program code for causing the tamper

resistant microprocessor to allocate a task identifier to the task;

5       a third computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to acquire an instruction key from a header of the shared library;

10      a fourth computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to store the instruction key into a region of the table corresponding to the task identifier allocated to the task for the shared library in the microprocessor;

      a fifth computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to initialize by executing a loader in the shared library; and

15      a sixth computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to return a control to the calling source program via an entry point in the shared library.

20     9. The computer program product of claim 8, wherein the fifth computer program code executes as many loaders in the shared library as a number of calling source programs, and the computer program product further comprising:

25      a seventh computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to produce as many data keys as the number of calling source programs for encrypting data to be used by the shared library, before the sixth computer program code returns the control;

30      an eighth computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to store the data keys into a region of the table to which the task identifier of the task for the shared library is allocated in the microprocessor, before the sixth computer program code returns the control;

35      a ninth computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to set the shared library in a standby state waiting for a call up from the calling source

program, after the sixth computer program code returns the control;

a tenth computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to have the shared library

5 authenticated by the calling source program;

a eleventh computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to receive an address of a shared memory region produced by the calling source program;

10 a twelfth computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to set the shared memory region as a shared encrypted data region to be used in data exchange between the calling source program and the shared library;

a thirteenth computer program code for causing the  
15 tamper resistant microprocessor to control the shared library to receive a signal for calling up a sub-routine in the shared library from the calling source program;

a fourteenth computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to verify a checksum of  
20 data of the calling source program;

a fifteenth computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to carry out a processing requested from the calling source program when the checksum of the data of the calling source program matches the data;  
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a sixteenth computer program code for causing the tamper resistant microprocessor to send a result of the requested processing by adding the checksum into the shared encrypted data region.

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